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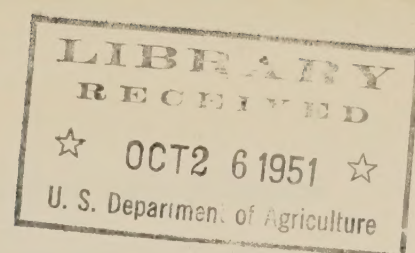
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RARE FOLIAGE PLANTS - 1951



This is a first attempt to make anything like a complete listing of the unusual plants that I specialize in. Many of these are very rare plants. You will also find that some are just hard to get items. A few are more common but are listed for your convenience. I am hoping later to be able to add many more rare and choice plants to this list as I have a number under propagation. I cannot at present include cultural directions for all the different plants listed, but you can get a very good idea of soil requirements by examining the soil that the plants are in on arrival. I use L.H. Bailey's "Cyclopedia of Horticulture" for cultural tips and follow it most of the time.

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ANTHURIUM and SPATHIPHYLLUM

Anthurium andreanum hybrids - The exotic flowering anthurium. The waxy, long lasting flowers come in shades of pink through dark red.

Flowering size plants \$6.00 to \$8.50

Anthurium carneum (A. nymphaeefolium x A. andreanum) - A rare hybrid of more robust nature than A. andreanum but similar. Small plants \$1.50 to \$3.50

Anthurium bakeri - A graceful narrow, strap-leaf type grown for its colorful red berry clusters. Med. plant \$1.75

Anthurium caribbea - This one is grown for its bold heart-shaped leaves. Grows large and stands neglect. Small plant \$1.25

Anthurium crystallinum - An aristocrat, dark velvety leaves with silvery crystalline veins. Small plant \$1.25; Med. plant \$4.50; write for prices on specimen plants.

Anthurium Forgetii - A collector's item, similar to A. crystallinum with peltate leaves; very rare. Med. plant \$4.50

Anthurium Warocqueanum - Very long narrow pendent heart shaped leaves with silver veins on a velvety background. This is an extremely rare and scarce item. Write before you order as our supply is very limited. \$15.00

Spathiphyllum Clevelandii (S. candidum) - A very desirable house plant that grows well under darker conditions than most. Many glossy strap leaves with white flowers in the spring. Med. plant \$1.75

Spathiphyllum cannaefolium - Broad dark green leaves to two feet long. Large fragrant white flowers. Med. plant \$3.00

Spathiphyllum floribundum - True to its name, it flowers constantly with small velvety white flowers. Never grows large. Small plant \$2.50

ALOCASIA - Very choice plants among which are the richest colorings imaginable.

Alocasia cuprea - Large bronze quilted leaves with deep purple underneath. Med. plant \$5.00

Alocasia Sanderiana - Waxy green, scalloped leaves, beautifully veined and margined with white. Small plant \$7.50

Alocasia cuprea x A. Sanderiana - My new introduction - a hybrid between two of the best alocasias. Small plants (seedlings) \$5.00

Alocasia longiloba - Large growing type, leaves arrow shaped and veined with white. Med. plant \$5.00

Alocasia macrorrhiza variegata - Arrow-shaped leaf beautifully marbled with ivory. Small plant \$1.00

PHILODENDRONS, etc.

- Philodendron lacineatum* - New philodendron with extremely unusual shaped leaves very choice Med. plant (2 to a pot) \$3.50
- Philodendron Mandianum* - Large Bronzy-green glossy leaves; dark red leaf stem and bud. Small plant \$1.35
- Philodendron squamiferum* - Startling; different, with oddly cut leaves and bristly leaf stems. Nice reddish coloring. Stock very limited Med. plant \$5.00
- Philodendron Wendlandi* - Very unusual and rare philodendron shaped like a bird nest fern with erect broad stiff leaves in a rosette. Med. plant \$10.00
- Monstera deliciosa* (also known as *Philodendron pertussum*) - Well known, but still desirable. Older leaves are very perforated and slit. Small plant \$1.75
- Monstera* sp. "Shingle plant" - Climbing plant with most unusual habit of clasping its oval, light green leaves tightly to support. Ready after October 1st. Small plant \$4.00
- Scindapsus aureus* "Golden Pothos" - Much brighter gold variegation than usual. Med. plant 60¢
- Scindapsus aureus* var. *Marble Queen* "Pothos Marble Green" - Leaves creamy white with flecks and stripes of green. Showy. Med. plant 75¢
- Scindapsus pictus* var. *argyreus* (*Pothos argyreus*) - Small oval, velvety, dark green leaves with beautiful silver markings. Most attractive, especially when climbing. Small plant 50¢

DIEFFENBACHIA, etc.

- Dieffenbachia amoena* - Large growing, most hardy of the dieffenbachias. Heavy dark green leaves striped with cream. Large plant \$2.25
- Dieffenbachia Bausei* - A rare different one - many colorings but hard to describe Medium plant \$2.50
- Dieffenbachia picta* - Dark green leaves liberally dotted with cream spots. Plants from 75¢ to \$2.00
- Dieffenbachia splendens* - Small growing type, beautiful with subtle variegations and silky sheen. Med. plant \$2.00
- Aglaonema commutatum* "Variegated Chinese Evergreen" - Very dark thick leaf with subtle variegations of silver. Small plant 60¢
- Aglaonema costatum* - Clusters of dark green beautifully spotted leaves coming directly from the soil; rare. Med. plant \$1.50
- Schizmatoglottis Roebelinii* - Dieffenbachia-like plant with heavier texture and slower growth. Leaves green and grey. Small plant 75¢

CALATHEA and MARANTA

- Calathea argyrea* (*C. Kegeiana*) - Large silver grey leaves with several dabs of dark green on both sides of center. Med. Plant \$2.50
- Calathea Vandenheckei* - Leaves dark green marked with three broad silvery stripes above, purplish red beneath. Med. plant \$1.25
- Calathea zebrina* - Large growing, upright. Velvety green leaves striped with yellow green and olive green, purplish beneath. Small plant \$4.50
- Maranta leuconeura* var. *Kerchoviana* - The "Prayer Plant" - Oval light green leaves marked with oval spots of brown. Med. plant 50¢

PEPEROMIAS and PIPER

- Peperomia galioides* - Miniature grower, very bushy, densely covered with tiny colorful leaves. Small plant 35¢
Peperomia incana - Erect grower with downy gray leaves. Med. plant \$1.50
Peperomia metallica - Small erect bushy plants, with narrow pointed bronze leaves red beneath. Small plant 35¢ Large plant 75¢
Peperomia rotundifolia - Small rounded glossy leaves, red stems. Med. plant 50¢
Peperomia Sandersi - "Watermelon Peperomia" - Round flat leaves with beautiful silver stripes. Small plant 50¢

Piper magnificum - Upright growing, large plant with fluted trunk. Leaves rounded dark green, glossy; red underneath. Very rare. Med. plant \$10.00

TRAILING PLANTS

- Cissus discolor* - A very choice brightly colored climbing or trailing foliage vine
Med. plant \$1.25
Chlorophytum Mandaianum (*Anthericum Mandianum*) - Sometimes called "Airplane Plant"
Rosette grower with brightly variegated graceful, grass-like leaves.
Med. plant \$1.50
Hoya Carnosa Variegata - "Variegated Wax Plant" - Waxy leaves brightly variegated with cream. Med. plant 75¢
Passiflora trifasciata - A small growing Passion Vine that likes shade. Leaves prettily striped with pink; purple beneath. Med. plant \$1.25
Pellionia pulchra - Small dark mottled leaves. Grows flat and dense, trails nicely. Small plant 50¢

FERNS

- Asplenium auritum* - A graceful fern that produces quantities of tiny plantlets all over the surface of the older fronds. Small plant 75¢
Davallia braziliensis - A much larger growing, softer fronded species of the "Rabbit Foot Fern". Likes dark conditions Med. plant \$2.50
Nephrolepis duffii - Related to the Boston Fern but a miniature with fronds one-half inch wide and to one foot long, branching and forking at tips. Attractive. Med. plant 75¢
Vittaria lineata - A strange native Florida fern. Fronds less than one-eighth inch wide but a maturity cascading to two feet or more. Small plant \$1.00
Platycerium alcicorne and *Platycerium grandis* - Will be available next spring.

MISC. FOLIAGE PLANTS

- Neanthe bella* - Very dwarf palm from dense jungles of Central America. Graceful and very durable, stands dark conditions very well. Large plants out of 3" pots \$1.25
Fittonia argyroneura - Attractive plant with green leaves beautifully covered with a network of white veins. Med. plant 75¢
Fittonia Verschaffeltii - Like above, leaves slightly larger and netted with red. Med. plant \$1.00

Acanthus montanus - Dark green mottled thistle-like leaves. Has a classical design. Small plant \$1.00

Begonia acetosa - New begonia with almost round, velvety leaves; beautiful red plush beneath. Small plant \$2.00

Tradescantia regina - Showy erect plant with large leaves banded with silver. Quite different and rare. Small plant \$1.25

Hoffmannia refulgens - Compact velvety bronze plant. Leaves beautifully corrugated with deeply set nerves. Holds up under less light than many house plants. Med. plant \$2.50

PHALAENOPSIS

Phalaenopsis Doris - Large white, heavy textured Moth Orchid. This cross has a top-notch reputation. Flowering size plants \$7.50 to \$12.00

Phalaenopsis R. H. Montgomery - (Phal. Doris, A.M. x Phal. Gilles Gratiot) - A new hybrid which I believe is every bit as good as Doris. Flowering size plants \$6.50 to \$10.00

Phalaenopsis Pink hybrids - Don't have enough of one kind to list separately but can offer flowering size plants \$6.00 to \$8.50

PLANTS TO GROW IN WATER

The following are suitable for growing in water or moist gravel (which is really better) and are supplied as cuttings much more reasonable than established plants:

Aglaonema simplex - Chinese evergreen Cuttings 35¢ each

Syngonium auritum - Large three-parted, very dark green leaves. Cuttings 60¢ ea.

Peperomia obtusifolia 4 cuttings for 25¢

Golden pothos 2 cuttings for 25¢

Marble Queen Pothos 2 cuttings for 35¢

LIVE LEAVES FOR FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

Sanseveria subspicata - Oval, dark green, stiff leaves. Wonderful as permanent rosette to cover pin holder in flower arrangements. 6 leaves for 50¢

Sanseveria cylindrica - Thin cylindrical leaves. Ideal for modern flower arrangements. Will live for months in shallow water. 5 leaves graded from 8" to 15" for \$1.50

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We have had considerable experience in shipping plants and have found that our careful method of packing has proven very satisfactory. We ship plants out of pots and carefully wrapped. If you wish plants shipped in their pots, we will do so, but they will be sent via Railway Express, transportation charges collect. If your plants do not arrive in good condition, please let us know immediately and we will try to straighten out your difficulties and if we feel the fault is ours, we will replace the plants.

Sizes given are comparative to the ultimate size of the mature plants. We will ship from this list in all but the coldest weather.

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